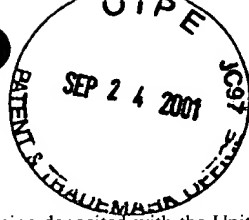


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated March 20, 2001, please amend the present application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the specification with the substitute specification submitted herewith, which includes an Abstract of the Disclosure.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 3 and 22-41.

Please amend claims 1, 4, 6, 9 and 10 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A cytokine receptor protein modified in the extracellular domain, wherein at least one molecule segment which contributes to a disordered structure is deleted, the modified protein being capable of being crystallized without being complexed to a ligand molecule.

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